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Filing Date	04/30/1999
First Named Inventor	Eugene S. Pearman
Art Unit	1631
Examiner Name	CLOW, LORI A
Attorney Docket Number	104.002

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

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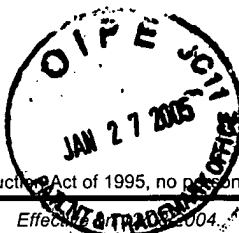
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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>for FY 2005</b>		Application Number	09/303,315
		Filing Date	04/30/1999
		First Named Inventor	Eugene S. Pearlman
		Examiner Name	1631
		Art Unit	CLOW, LORI A.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Attorney Docket No.	104.002
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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid(\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	\$150.00
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
- 20 or HP =	x	\$25.00	\$0.00

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

Indep. Claims	Extra	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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**3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE**

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listing under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

Other (e.g. late filing surcharge): \_\_\_\_\_

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